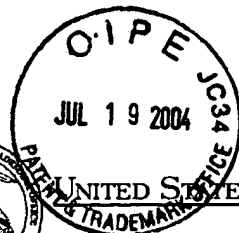


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Re: Inventor: Masaaki TAKATA, et al.  
Serial No: 10/786,555  
Filed: February 26, 2004  
For: OUTER TUBE MADE OF SILICON CARBIDE AND THERMAL  
TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR SEMICONDUCTORS

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Notice to File Missing Parts  
Filing of Declaration  
Declaration and Power of Attorney, (4pp. executed w/copy of Specification as filed February 26, 2004 (20pp., 7  
claims, 4 sheets drawings  
IDS/Related/List of Related Cases  
Cited Pending Application (1)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time.


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**FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)**

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated May 19, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Declaration enclosed herewith, attached to the specification, is believed to adequately identify the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

The undersigned hereby states that the specification to which the Declaration is attached is a true copy of the specification, and any amendments thereto, as originally filed in the Patent Office in order to obtain a filing date.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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